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CONSTITUTION (IGC-V) SIZE COMPOSITION AND VOTING
OF PBC AND IDB

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1. SUMMARY: U.S. DEL REQUESTS IMMEDIATE CABLE REPLY BY
OPENING OF BUSINESS TUESDAY, MARCH 29, IF DEPT. WISHES U.S.
DEL TO TAKE POSITIONS OTHER THAN THOSE SPECIFIED IN PARAGRAPH
6 BELOW. END SUMMARY.

2. DURING FINAL WEEK OF IGC-V NEGOTIATIONS HAVE MOVED FROM
DRAFTING GROUPS TO LARGER CONTACT GROUP AND TO BERY LIMITED
PRESIDENTIAL GROUP WHICH INCLUDES U.S. CONSISTENT WITH U.S.
STRATEGY PAPER, NEGOTIATORS FROM ALL GROUPS UNDERSTAND THAT
AGREEMENTS REACHED THIS WEEK ON ONE "HARD-CORE" BUDGET ISSUE
WILL BE CONTINGENT UPON SATISFACTORY AGREEMENTS BEING REACHED
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ON ALL OTHER "HARD-CORE" BUDGET ISSUES. THE FOUR "HARD-CORE"
BUDGET ISSUES SUBJECT TO THIS UNDERSTANDING ARE (A)
DEFINITION OF THE BUDGET BIFURCATION (ARTICLE 10 BIS AND
ANNEX), (B) BUDGET-MAKING PROCESS (ARTICLE II), (C)
COMPOSITION OF ORGANS (ARTICLES 8 AND 8 BIS, AND 11).
PRESIDENTIAL GROUP TODAY AND TOMORROW IS FOCUSING ON LATTER TWO ISSUE
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OF COMPOSITION AND REQUIRED VOTING MAJORITIES OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD (IDB) AND PROGRAM BUDGET COMMITTEE (PBC).

3. IGC-V DELEGATION BREAKING POINTS OF ACCEPTABLE COMPROMISE ON PBC AND IDB COMPOSITION AND REQUIRED VOTING MAJORITIES ARE DEFINED ON PAGE 1, TAB 1 OF THE STRATEGY PAPER AS
IDB: A BOARD OF 50: GROUP B 15 (30 PERCENT); GROUP D- 5 (10 PERCENT); AND G-77- 30 (60 PERCENT). A BLOCKING-THIRD REQUIRES 17 VOTES, A SAFETY MARGIN OF 3 VOTES LESS THAN THE COMBINED VOTES OF GROUPS B AND D. PBC: A COMMITTEE OF 25: GROUP B- 8 (32 PERCENT); GROUP D- 2 (8 PERCENT); G-77- 15 (60 PERCENT).
A BLOCKING THIRD REQUIRES 9 VOTES, A SAFETY MARGIN OF 1 VOTE LESS THAN THE COMBINED VOTES OF GROUPS B AND D. GROUP D HAS REJECTED THIS SOLUTION.

4. GROUP OF 77 PLENARY CAUCUS CONSIDERED MEMBERSHIP COMPOSITION OF IDB AND PBC AGREED TO AT LEVEL OF WORKING GROUP (REFTEL (A). CERTAIN MEMBERS OF G-77 CONTINUE TO ARGUE WITHIN G-77 CAUCUS FOR AN IDB OF 60 MEMBERS WITH 67 PERCENT OF VOTES GOING TO G-77 MEMBERS BASED ON ALGIERS RATIONALE CONTAINED REFTEL (B), PARA 4. MAIN THRUST OF PUBLIC G-77 POSITION, HOWEVER, ACCEPTS IDB DISTRIBUTION OF APPROXIMATELY 60 PERCENT. OF VOTING STRENGTH FOR A-77 AND 40 PERCENT FOR GROUPS B AND D COMBINED U.S. AND OTHER GROUP B DELS HAVE PRIVATELY SQUELCHED SEVERAL G-77 PROPOSALS FOR DISTRIBUTIONS WHICH DEPART FROM THE 60 PERCENT/40 PERCENT BALLPARK. IDB COMPOSITIONS, WITHIN THIS BALLPARK, ON WHICH BARGAINS MIGHT BE STRUCK BETWEEN ALL GROUPS ARE: IN IDB OF 55: GROUP B- 16 (29.1); GROUP D -6 (10.9); G-77- 33 (60 PERCENT). A BLOCKING THIRD REQUIRES 19 LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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VOTES, A SAFETY MARGIN OF 3 VOTES LESS THAN THE COMBINED VOTES OF GROUPS B AND D; (B) AN IDB OF 56; GROUP B-16 (28.6 PERCENT); GROUP D- 6 (10.7 PERCENT); G-77- 34 (60.7 PERCENT). A BLOCKING THIRD REQUIRES 19 VOTES, A SAFETY MARGIN OF 3 VOTES LESS THAN THE COMBINED VOTES OF GROUP B AND D.

5. GROUP B HAS REJECTED A G-77 FEELER FOR A PBC OF 30 MEMBERS WITH A 40/60 PERCENT DISTRIBUTION. GROUP B HAS DEVELOPED TWO FALLBACK POSITIONS TO MEET STRONG G-77 INSISTENCE FOR PBC OF MORE THAN 25 MEMBERS IN ORDER TO ALLOW MORE G-77 GOVERNMENTS TO PARTICIPATE. THESE TWO POSITIONS WHICH MAY BE UNVEILED TOMORROW WITH THE CAVEAT THAT OTHER "HARD-CORE" ISSUES MUST ALSO BE AGREED ARE: (A) PBC OF 27 MEMBERS: GROUP B- 9 (33.3 PERCENT); GROUP D- 3 (11.1 PERCENT); G-77 15 (55.5 PERCENT) A BLOCKING THIRD REQUIRES 10 VOTES, A SAFETY MARGIN OF 2 VOTES LESS THAN THE COMBINED TOTAL OF GROUPS B AND D; (B) PBC 28: GROUP B- 9 (32.1 PERCENT); GROUP D-3 (10.7 PERCENT); G-77- 16 (57.1 PERCENT). A BLOCKING THIRD REQUIRES 10 VOTES, A SAFETY MARGIN OF 2 VOTES LESS THAN COMBINED TOTAL OF GROUPS B AND D.

6. U.S. DEL INTENDS TO CONTINUE FLATLY TO REJECT PRO-
POSALS BASED ON ALGIERS RATIONALE FOR BOARD OF 60 WITH
67 PERCENT OF VOTES GOING TO G-77. U.S. DEL INTENDS TO CONTINUE
TO EMPHASIZE THAT ANY AGREEMENT ON IDB AND PBC COMPOSITION
DEPENDS ON SATISFACTORY SOLUTION TO OTHER "HARD-CORE"
BUDGET ISSUES. U.S. DEL INTENDS TO CONTINUE TO SEEK
IDB AND PBC OF SMALLEST POSSIBLE NUMBER EVEN AMONG LATER-
NATIVES WITH EQUAL PERCENTAGE VOTE DISTRIBUTIONS. IF
NECESSARY TO STRIKE BARGAIN ON IDB COMPOSITION U.S. DEL
INTENDS TO SUPPORT IDB OF EITHER 55 OR 56 AS SPECIFIED
ABOVE WITH MAJORITY FOR BUDGET ADOPTION OF 2/3 OF MEMBERS
PRESENT AND VOTING. IF NECESSARY TO STRIKE BARGAIN U.S.
DEL INTENDS TO SUPPORT PBC OF 27 AS SPECIFIED ABOVE WITH
MAJORITY FOR BUDGET PROPOSAL OF 2/3 OF MEMBERS PRESENT AND
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VOTING (BLOCKING THIRD COMPRISES ONLY "NO" VOTES) OR TO
SUPPORT A PBC OF 28 AS SPECIFIED ABOVE WITH MAJORITY CAL-
CULATED AS 2/3 OF TOTAL MEMBERSHIP OF THE COMMITTEE--OR
AS A FALLBACK 2/3 OF THOSE PARTICIPATING IN VOTE (BLOCKING
THIRD COMPRISES "NO" VOTES AND "ABSTAIN" VOTES.) STIBRAVY

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